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The Senate will convene at 1pm.

BUDGET

Three weeks of budget hearings have officially ended, and (*surprisingly*) there are disagreements between party lines. Governor Shapiro's budget proposal spends a little over \$52 billion. However, the state is only expecting to take in close to \$42 billion. The Governor suggests draining the rainy-day fund, but others worry about the consequences of doing so. A budget battle awaits, however, the state is projected to finalize the budget earlier than last year.

PRECHECK

TSA has announced a temporary closure of a security checkpoint at Terminal C of the Philadelphia International Airport. The closure went into effect on Thursday, and it is unclear how long it will last. This comes on the heels of staffing shortages due to the partial government shutdown. The closure only impacts one checkpoint that services TSA PreCheck passengers.

EXTREME WEATHER

Weather forecasters are urging South-Central Pennsylvanians to be safe and ready for the possibility of extreme storms today, which could include heavy rain, damaging winds, and even some tornadoes. The storms are estimated between 11am-9pm but the worst is expected 1pm-8pm. Wind gusts over 70mph are very likely but thankfully flooding and hail risk are low. *Snow and locusts are also possible later this evening...*

THE OL' BALL GAME

Team USA is headed to the World Baseball Classic Championship after defeating the Dominican Republic last night. Pittsburgh Pirates heavy hand **Paul Skenes**, who pitched a near perfect 4 1/3 innings, helped USA advance with a low score of 2-1. Although they did not provide any offense in yesterday's game, the team is also joined by Philadelphia Phillies **Kyle Schwarber** and **Bryce Harper**. USA will face the winner of Italy/Venezuela on Tuesday.

END OF AN ERA

This Wednesday, **Greg Mahon**, Deputy Chief of Staff, Budget and Finance, to President Pro Tempore **Kim Ward**, is retiring. This marks the end of a 33-year career serving the Commonwealth. In his retirement, we wish him many rapid rounds of golf. *Congratulations on this new chapter!*



Happy Birthday

- Former State Senator **Sean Wiley**
- **Ronald Castille**, Former Chief Justice, PA Supreme Court
- **Anna Fitzsimmons**, Director of Budgetary Affairs, PA House Republican Leadership Office
- **Matt Stoneroad**, District Director, Office of Representative Joe Kerwin

Committee Meetings

- (S) Law and Justice – OTF – To consider: SB 49 and SB 1218
- (H) Energy – 12:00PM - Public hearing on HB 2223 and HB 2264



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